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PRESS RELEASE

LARSON TO HOST THE 2009 CONGRESSIONAL ARTS COMPETITION

Hartford, CT-U.S. Congressman John B. Larson is pleased to announce the 28th Annual Congressional Arts Competition will take place Thursday, April 2, 2009 from 5:00pm to 6:00pm at the Wadsworth Atheneum in Hartford, CT.

The winner of the competition will be awarded a \$20,000 scholarship to the prestigious Savannah College of Art and Design, and the winners of the competition from each U.S. Congressional District will have their work displayed within the U.S. Capitol for the entire year of the exhibition.

Congressman Larson has sent letters to the Art Directors in every First Congressional District high school encouraging their students to participate.

The competition is open to high school students only, however exceptions will be made for schools that have 7th through 12th grades on one campus. Artwork must be matted and does not need to be framed.

Students interested in participating in the Congressional Arts Competition, must deliver artwork for submissions to Congressman John B. Larson's District Office at 221 Main Street, 2nd Floor in Hartford on March 30th, March 31st, or April 1st between 9:00am and 5:30pm with the student release form completed and signed.

To obtain a student release or for additional information regarding the competition, please contact Lisa Perrone in Larson's Hartford District Office by phone at (860)-278-8888 or by email at lisa.perrone@mail.house.gov.

The Congressional Art Competition began in 1982 to provide an opportunity for members of Congress to encourage and recognize the artistic talents of their young constituents. Since then, over 650,000 high school students have been involved with the nationwide competition.



Congressman Larson with 2008 Winner Elizabeth Renstrom (Hartford, CT) of the Connecticut International Baccalaureate Academy

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